

Dear Visa Applicant:

Please contact an Authorized Center who will assist you in collecting the documents detailed below and will submit them to the consulate for processing.

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY EACH APPLICANT (including minors):

- 1) A VALID PASSPORT with one empty page to stamp the visa.
- 2) <u>ALL PREVIOUS PASSPORTS</u> It is required to submit passports containing prior visas and trip stamps.
- 3) PROOF OF PAYMENT: Every visa applicant must submit an original bank receipt showing payment of the peso equivalent of the \$140 USD visa application fee. You may pay this fee at any branch of Banco Ciudad de Buenos Aires or at any ATM that is part of the LINK network. The bank will let you know the current peso amount to be paid. Please remember that you must present the receipt that is labeled "Para la Embajada". If you plan to do the payment through LINK ATMs, these are the steps you need to follow:
 - Insert the card and enter your PIN
 - Choose the option "PRESTAMOS Y OTROS SERVICIOS" on the screen
 - Choose the option "PAGO VISADO PARA EEUU"
 - Confirm the transaction.
 - The ATM will provide a ticket that the applicant will have to present at the interview.

<u>Note:</u> Only the original receipt provided by the cashier at Banco Ciudad or the Link ATM will be accepted. <u>This</u> fee is non-refundable and non-transferable.

4) DS-160 (CEAC) Application form: needs to be completed online, at least 48 hours prior to the interview date, but you may complete it further in advance if you wish. We highly suggest you visit the following link for detailed information on the application process before completing the DS-160 form: http://argentina.usembassy.gov/faqs.html

After reviewing this information, please follow the below instructions:

Access the DS-160 page at: https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/

- a) UPLOAD YOUR PHOTO ELECTRONICALLY: The DS-160 form provides you with the option of uploading your photo. Please read the photo requirement instructions carefully. If your photo does not meet the requirements, the system will reject it. Take into account that you need to at least try to upload a photo since otherwise the system will not allow you to continue completing the form. The program will allow you three opportunities to upload your photo. If the system rejects it after the third attempt, you will need to physically bring a photo on the day of your interview. Take into account that not uploading a photo prior to your interview will delay your application process.
- b) Complete the requested information on the appropriate space on each screen. Please, answer every single question. Your answers must be written exclusively in English.
- c) Review the information you provided. Any mistake can delay or limit your chances of obtaining a visa.
- d) Print out the confirmation page.
- e) Come to your interview with the confirmation page and keep it on hand during the application process.
- f) **BIOMETRIC SIGNATURE:** 22 C.F.R.6 41.103 requires that the applicant sign and submit his/her own Non Immigrant Visa Application unless he/she is exempted. Even though the applicant may receive help from a third party to fill out the form, it is required that he/she review his/her application and press the "Sign Application" button at the end of the form. Pressing this button will constitute your biometric signature together with your fingerprints which will be taken on the day of your interview. Click here to see how your fingerprints will be taken.

- 5) <u>PASSPORT DELIVERY:</u> Once your visas are processed, your passports will be returned through the chosen Authorized Center. Be aware that the Consular officer reserves the right to interview any applicant for any reason.
- 6) <u>DISCLAIMER</u>: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all biographical data on the visa is correct. Any error on the visa could create significant delays at the Port of Entry in the United States. If there is an error in the visa data, which was not based on the applicant's passport and was simply a consular error, a replacement machine-readable visa will be issued at no cost to the applicant, **up to one year from** the visa's original date of issuance and only for the remaining validity of the original visa. In these cases, the applicant can drop his/her passport off at the Embassy any weekday (Monday thru Friday) at 2 pm to have the error corrected.

After one year of issuance, the applicant must apply for a new visa and pay a new MRV fee and reciprocity fee if applicable. These applicants will only need to schedule an appointment with the Visa Information Service if the error occurred as a result of an error in the applicant's passport bio page. Otherwise, if it was a consular error, the applicant can come to the Embassy any weekday (Monday thru Friday) from 8 am to 12pm and submit the appropriate fee, application and be interviewed by a Consular Officer.